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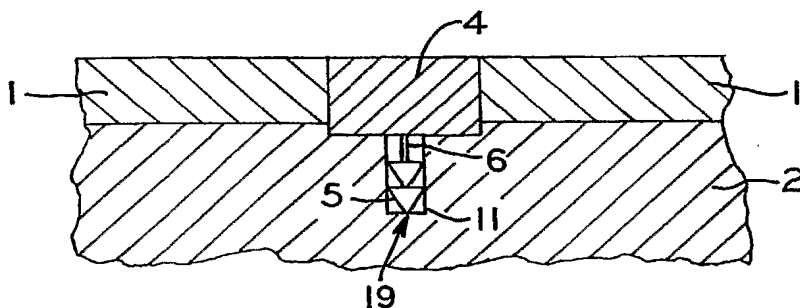
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(57) Abstract: An articular cartilage fixation device and method for repairing and regenerating diseased or injured soft tissue such as articular cartilage of the knee, hip, shoulder, and the like. A cartilage flap or cartilage repair device is retained within the chondral or osteochondral defect for a sufficient amount of time such that the cartilage repair device can perform its function and facilitate an appropriate healing response.

A plurality of biocompatible anchors are attached to a plurality of flexible members and are shaped to seat into the tissue beneath or near the defect such that the cartilage flap is retained within the defect.

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